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E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: BEXP,TU
SUBJ: MAJOR PROJECT: PENDIK SHIPYARD-FORIEGN GOVERNMENT TENDER

REF: A. STATE 282683; B. ANKARA 9939

1. IN RESPONSE TO REFTELS, CONGEN HAS CONTACTED SENIOR OFFICIAL OF TURKISH MARITIME BANK WHO STATES THAT FOR TIME BEING IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO EXTEND JANUARY 15 DEADLINE. HOWEVER, HE POINTED OUT THAT IF THERE WERE NOT ENOUGH RESPONSES TO TENDER, BID DEADLINE MIGHT BE EXTENDED FOR SEVERAL MONTHS AND NOTED THAT THIS HAD RECENTLY OCCURRED IN THE TENDER FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF PENDIK DRYDOCK. CONGEN HAS SENT LETTER TO MARITIME BANK TO OFFICIALLY REQUEST EXTENSION OF DEADLINE AND WILL FOLLOW UP WITH GENERAL MANAGER ON HIS RETURN FROM VACATION IN EARLY JANUARY. WE HAVE OBTAINED BIDDING PACKAGE AND HAVE SENT IT TO MR. K. SUNDARESAN OF MCMULLEN ASSOCIATES NEW YORK. WE WILL CONTINUE TO FOLLOW UP AND MAKE EVERY POSSIBLE EFFORT TO GET EXTENSION OF DEADLINE TO PERMIT U.S. BID ON THIS PROJECT.

2. AS REQUESTED REF B, WE ATTEMPTING TO OBTAIN INFORMATION ON TEMAS. HOWEVER, SEVERAL MAJOR CIVIL ENGINEERING FIRMS IN ISTANBUL ARE UNABLE TO IDENTIFY THIS COMPANY. WILL CONTINUE OUR EFFORTS AND REPORT RESULTS SOONEST.

3. FYI: MCMULLEN FIRST BECAME AWARE OF PENDIK SHIPYARD PROJECT IN LATE 1973 AS RESULT OF VISIT TO TURKEY BY MCMULLEN LONDON REPRESENTATIVE. CONGEN INFORMED MCMULLEN LONDON OF LATEST STATUS
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OF PENDIK SHIPYARD PROJECT ON AUGUST 8, 1974, LETTER. CONSTRUCTPCN

OF DYRDOCK AND OTHER WORKING AREAS REPORTED IN FOREIGN GOVERNMENT
TENDER JULY 1, 1974 (ISTANBUL 1816) AND EXTENSION OF BID DEADLINE
(ISTANBUL 3092). TENDER FOR TECHNICAL COOPERATION OF SHIPYARD
REPORTED ON NOV. 29, 1974 (ANKARA 9326). WE SOMEWHAT PUZZLED THAT
MCMULLEN SEEMS TO HAVE BEEN TAKEN BY SURPIRSE ON THIS PROJECT.
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